

# PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of  
Li et al.

Examiner: Kim, Taeyoon

Art Unit: 1651

Application No.: 10/665,864

Filed: September 18, 2003

Title: METHODS FOR ASSAYING  
COMPOUNDS THAT DECREASE THE  
ACTIVITY OF POLY (ADP-RIBOSE)-  
POLYMERASE (PARP)

### RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants respond to the Examiner's non-final Office Action issued September 8, 2006 for the above-identified application by traversing all outstanding rejections of claims 1-25. Applicants request for an one-month extension of time accompany this response, extending the period of reply to January 08, 2007. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment necessitated by this response to Deposit Account No. 18-1982.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.